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(57) Abstract: Disclosed are hair styling compositions which provide improved hair volume and hair hold performance, and which provide for a DRY HAIR INDEX of at least 242 after application and drying of the compositions on dry hair. These air styling compositions comprise from about 12 % to about 90 % by weight of a polyalkylene glycol styling agent that is substantially free of polyalkylene glyceryl ethers, and that has a number average molecular weight of from about 190 to about 1500 and from about 5 to about 35 repeating alkylene oxide radicals wherein each of the repeating alkylene oxide radicals has from 2 to 6 carbon atoms; and from about 1 % to about 88 % by weight of a liquid carrier which can be water, an organic solvent, or combinations thereof. Also disclosed are hair styling compositions in the form of pomades which provide improved hair volume and hair hold performance, and which comprise from about 65 % to about 99 % by weight of the select polyalkylene glycol styling agent, and from about 1 % to about 30 % by weight of a liquid carrier.

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Present claims 1-39 relate to a composition defined (inter alia) by reference to the following parameter: -dry hair index of at least 242. The use of these parameters in the present context is considered to lead to a lack of clarity within the meaning of Article 6 PCT. It is impossible to compare the parameters the applicant has chosen to employ with what is set out in the prior art. The lack of clarity is such as to render a meaningful complete search impossible. Consequently, the search has been performed without taking the above parameter into account with due regard to the general idea underlying the application.

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